

SENATE JOURNAL

Forty-fourth Legislature—Regular Session.

FIRST DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
Tuesday, January 8, 1935.

The Senate met at 12 o'clock noon,
and was called to order by Lieu-
tenant Governor Edgar E. Witt.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. W.
H. Doss.

Temporary Officers.

The Chair announced the follow-
ing Temporary Officers of the Sen-
ate:

Secretary, Bob Barker.

Journal Clerk, Mrs. Mary Rugeley.

Calendar Clerk, Mrs. Martha Tur-
ner.

Sergeant-at-Arms, A. W. Holt.

Doorkeeper, W. J. J. Terrell.

Roll Call of Holdover Senators.

Beck.	Martin.
Blackert.	Pace.
Collie.	Poage.
DeBerry.	Redditt.
Duggan.	Regan.
Fellbaum.	Sanderford.
Hornsby.	Small.

Absent.

Stone.

Roll Call of New Senators.

Burns.	Neal.
Cotten.	Oneal.
Davis.	Rawlings.
Hill.	Shivers.
Holbrook.	Sulak.
Hughston.	Westerfeld.
Moore.	Woodruff.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins. Van Zandt.

Certificate of New Senators.

Department of State,
Austin, Texas, Dec. 21, 1934.

Hon. Bob Barker,
Secretary of the Senate.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are the certi-

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ificates of election for the follow-
ing State Senators:

Hon. E. M. Davis.
Hon. Ben G. Oneal.
Hon. Frank H. Rawlings.
Hon. Grady Woodruff.
Hon. T. J. Holbrook.
Hon. W. K. Hopkins.
Hon. Weaver Moore.
Hon. Gordon Burns.
Hon. L. J. Sulak.
Hon. Wallace Hughston.
Hon. Claude C. Westerfeld.
Hon. Allan Shivers.
Hon. Joe Hill.
Hon. Clay Cotten.
Hon. Jim Neal.
Hon. Olan R. Van Zandt.

Very truly yours,

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a Gen-
eral Election held in the State of
Texas for Second Senatorial District,
Forty-fourth Legislature of Texas,
composed of the following counties:
Gregg, Harrison, Panola, Rusk and
Shelby, on the first Tuesday after
the first Monday in November, A. D.,
1934, being the 6th day of said
month, Joe Hill, having received the
highest number of votes cast for any
person at said election for the office
hereinafter named, was duly elected
as Senator, Second Senatorial Dis-
trict, Forty-fourth Legislature, for
the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have here-
unto subscribed my name and caused
the Seal of State to be affixed at
the City of Austin, on this the 4th
day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a Gen-
eral Election held in the State of
Texas for Fourth Senatorial District,

Forty-fourth Legislature of Texas, composed of the following counties: Hardin, Jefferson, Liberty and Orange, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, Allan Shivers, having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Fourth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature, for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Sixth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature of Texas, composed of the following counties: Anderson, Freestone, Henderson, Kaufman, and Navarro, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, Clay Cotten having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Sixth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature, for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Ninth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature, composed of the following counties: Cooke, Fannin and Grayson, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, Olan R. Van Zandt having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office here-

inafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Ninth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Tenth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature, composed of the following counties: Collin, Hunt, Rains and Rockwall, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, Wallace Hughston, having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Tenth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Eleventh Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature composed of the following county: Dallas, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, Claude C. Westerfeld, having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Eleventh Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Fifteenth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature, composed of the following counties: Austin, Colorado, Fayette, Lavaca and Waller, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, L. J. Sulak, having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Fifteenth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.
(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Sixteenth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature, composed of the following county: Harris, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, Weaver Moore, having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Sixteenth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.
(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Seventeenth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature composed of the following counties: Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Matagorda and Wharton, on

the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, T. J. Holbrook having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Seventeenth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Nineteenth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature, composed of the following counties: Blanco, Caldwell, Comal, Gonzales, Guadalupe and Hays, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, W. K. Hopkins, having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Nineteenth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.
(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Twenty-second Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature, composed of the following counties: Denton, Jack, Montague, Parker, Palo Pinto and Wise, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, Grady Woodruff, having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as

Senator, Twenty-second Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Twenty-third Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature, composed of the following counties: Archer, Baylor, Clay, Foard, Hardeman, Knox, Wichita, Wilbarger and Young, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, Ben G. Oneal having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Twenty-third Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature, composed of the following counties: Brown, Coke, Coleman, Comanche, Concho, Gillespie, Irion, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Mills, Runnels, Schleicher, Sterling and Tom Green, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, E. M. Davis having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused

the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Twenty-seventh Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature composed of the following counties: Brooks, Cameron, Dimmit, Duval, Frio, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, La Salle, McMullen, Nueces, Starr, Webb, Willacy, Zapata and Zavala, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, Jim Neal having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Twenty-Seventh Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Certificate of Election
The State of Texas

This is to certify, that at a General Election held in the State of Texas for Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature composed of the following county: Tarrant on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D., 1934, being the 6th day of said month, Frank H. Rawlings having received the highest number of votes cast for any person at said election for the office hereinafter named, was duly elected as Senator, Twenty-Eighth Senatorial District, Forty-fourth Legislature for the State of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, on this the 4th day of December, A. D., 1934.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

**Certificate of Election
The State of Texas**

I W. W. Heath, Secretary of State in and for the State of Texas duly qualified and acting as such do hereby certify that on the 22nd day of December, 1934 at a Special Election called in compliance with law for and in the Fifth Senatorial District of Texas composed of the counties of Grimes, Montgomery, Trinity, Leon, Houston, Polk, Madison, Walker and San Jacinto; Honorable Gordon Burns of Walker County, Texas received the highest number of votes cast for any person for the office of State Senator in and for said Fifth Senatorial District and is therefore entitled to all emoluments and duties of said office for the unexpired term of Nat Patton resigned, said term ending in 1937.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused to be impressed hereon the Seal of State at my office in the City of Austin, this 7th day of January A. D., 1935.

(Seal)

W. W. HEATH,
Secretary of State.

Oath of Office.

The newly elected Senators rose and were administered the oath of office by the Chair.

Senators Excused.

On motion of Senator Collie Senator Hopkins was excused on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Woodruff Senator Van Zandt was excused on account of illness.

Senator Stone was excused on account of important business on motion of Senator Rawlings.

Senate Resolution No. 1.

Caucus report.

Senator Redditt sent up the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 8, 1935.
Hon. Edgar E. Witt, President of the Senate.
Sir:

At a caucus held in the office of the Senate attended by 28 members of the Senate the following recommendations were made, to-wit:

The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing Regular Session of the Forty-fourth Legislature and at salaries set opposite their names:

Secretary of the Senate, Bob Barker
\$10.00 per day.

Sergeant-at-Arms, A. W. Holt \$7.50
per day.

Doorkeeper, T. T. Garrard, \$5.00 per
day.

Chaplain, Rev. W. H. Doss \$5.00 per
day.

Journal Clerk, Mrs. Mary Rugeley
\$7.50 per day.

Asst. Journal Clerk, Ed Cowan \$5.00
per day.

Calendar Clerk, Mrs. Martha Turner
\$7.50 per day.

Asst. Calendar Clerk, Gilbert Adams
\$5.00 per day.

Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk, Miss
Essie McGinnis \$7.50 per day.

Postmaster, Mrs. Lola Lawrence
\$5.00 per day.

Mailing Clerk, Mrs. Ann Polglass
\$5.00 per day.

Librarian, Miss Theodosia Bell \$5.00
per day.

It is recommended that each Senator, Lieutenant Governor and the Secretary of the Senate, be permitted to name one secretary and such employee shall act as clerk of the committee of which the Senator naming such employee shall be the chairman thereof, such employee to receive \$5.00 per day.

It is further recommended that the Chairman of the Caucus appoint a committee of five who shall be authorized to select such other employees as in their judgment will be necessary.

It is further recommended that each Senator, the Lieutenant Governor and the Secretary of the Senate be permitted to name two employees of the Senate in addition to their private secretary; that the names of such employees be referred to a committee of five senators appointed by the chairman of the caucus, said committee to be authorized to select from said employees all employees in the engrossing and enrolling room and other departments of the Senate to assign said employees to their proper places of employment; said employees so named by the Senators, the Lieutenant Governor and the Secretary of the Senate to receive the sum of \$5.00 per day.

It is further recommended that the several appointments of employees heretofore made by the Lieutenant Governor and announced in the Senate and considered by the caucus are confirmed.

The salaries of the day and night elevator operators shall be \$4.00 per day each, and the salaries of the porters shall be \$2.50 per day each, except the head porter whose salary shall be \$4.00 per day and the porter carrying mail shall receive \$3.50 per day, and the salaries of the pages shall be \$2.50 per day and the salaries of the messengers shall be \$3.00 per day.

The Lieutenant Governor is requested to recommend that the Southwestern Telephone Company employ Miss Mary Jacobs to attend the duties of telephone operator of the Senate, and a night operator to be named by the committee of five Senators, out of the employees whose names are filed with said committee.

The Lieutenant Governor, Senators and the Secretary of the Senate are hereby fully authorized and empowered to use all Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms and all other necessary employees for any and all services needed in and about the Senate.

It is further recommended that no employee of the Senate shall during the time he or she is employed, furnish to any person, firm or corporation any information pertaining to the Senate and they shall not receive any compensation from any person, firm or corporation during their employment by the Senate and any employee found guilty of violating this provision shall be immediately discharged.

All employees, except those responsible directly to some Senator or committee, shall report for duty at eight o'clock a. m., and one o'clock p. m., reporting to the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, and none of such employees shall be paid for days they are absent from the Senate.

It is further recommended that no person be employed by the Senate or under its direction, except private secretaries, who may be related within the second degree by affinity or within the third degree by consanguinity to any member of the Legislature or to any other person employed by or holding office under

either the State of Texas, or the United States of America or political subdivision of this State, or by any public supported institution. (See Art. 432 Penal Code.)

It is further recommended that the Lieutenant Governor, each Senator and the Secretary of the Senate, be allowed the stationery and postage needed by them respectively, and expenses incurred in transmitting and receiving telephone and telegraph messages and express charges, such as may be actually necessary in the discharge of their official duties, said expenses to be paid out of the contingent fund.

It is further recommended that 2600 Journals be printed; that same be prorated among the Senators and Lieutenant Governor, except that 150 Journals shall be furnished the Members of the House.

It is further recommended that the Sergeant-at-Arms rent such typewriters as may be necessary for the use of the employees of the Senate, the contract to be approved by the committee of five.

It is further recommended that the Secretary of the Senate be paid for his services rendered in advance of and in preparation for the convening of this, the Regular Session of the Forty-fourth Legislature; and that the Sergeant-at-Arms be allowed pay for each day of service from the date he ceased to draw compensation from his other employment; and extra employees and the porters who were selected to prepare the Senate Chamber in advance of the meeting, be allowed pay for their services, the per diem allowed each of the employees mentioned in this section be the same as fixed herein.

It is further recommended that the Senate request the State Comptroller of Public Accounts to issue general revenue warrants for the pay of the members and employees of the Senate upon presentation of the pay roll account signed by the presiding officer and the Secretary of the Senate.

The Chairman of the Caucus named the following members of the Senate as the committee of five, as hereinabove mentioned:

Redditt, Chairman; Pace, Vice-Chairman; Cotten, Regan and Small.

The committee of five hereinabove named shall have authority to employ P. B. X. operators at a per diem not to exceed \$5.00 per day.

It is further recommended that each Senator, the Lieutenant Governor and the Secretary of the Senate, be permitted to subscribe for three newspapers to be paid out of the contingent fund.

It is further recommended that the President of the Senate have exclusive appointment of a sufficient number of messengers, pages and porters as in his judgment may be necessary.

It is further recommended that the Chairman of the Finance Committee shall have authority to employ such additional employees of his own selection, to discharge the duties of the committee.

It is further recommended that the private rooms allotted to the Senators by the method as adopted by the caucus be assigned to the Senators and their successors unless otherwise directed by the Senate.

It is further recommended that each Senator, as quickly as possible, file with the Secretary of the Senate the name of his private secretary selected; that he also file with the chairman of the committee of five Senators aforesaid the name of the employees selected, together with his or her post-office address and a suggestion as to the special qualification of said employee.

It is further recommended that the names, place of residence and compensation of all employees be printed in the Journal, together with the name of the Senator responsible for the employment of his employee.

Be it further resolved that no employee of the Senate except those whose official duties require them to work upon the floor of the Senate shall have access to the floor, unless that employee shall have been requested by a Senator, the Lieutenant Governor, or the Secretary of the Senate, to come on the floor for some official duty—which when performed they will immediately leave the floor of the Senate. The Sergeant-at-Arms is specifically ordered to see that this provision is carried out.

HOLBROOK, Chairman.

On motion of Senator Holbrook S. R. No. 1, the caucus report, was adopted by viva voce vote.

Record of Vote.

Senator DeBerry asked to be recorded as voting "no" on the adoption of the caucus report.

Officers Sworn In.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt, administered the oath of office to the newly elected officers of the Senate.

President Pro Tem.

The Chair announced that nominations for the office of President Pro Tem., of the Senate were now in order.

Senator Small nominated Senator Regan as President Pro Tem. His nomination was seconded by Senators Pace, Hornsby, Duggan, Oneal, Redditt, Rawlings, Beck, Sanderford, Collie, Blackert, Martin, Poage, DeBerry, Fellbaum and Woodruff.

The Chair asked the Secretary to collect and count the votes.

The Secretary announced the following results, 27 "yeas" and one present not voting.

The Chair declared Senator Regan duly elected President Pro Tem., of the Senate and appointed Senators Small, Rawlings and Davis to escort the President Pro Tem-elect to the platform where Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt administered the oath of office. Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt introduced President Pro Tem., K. M. Regan to the Senate. Senator Regan spoke briefly.

Privileged Statement.

Senator Woodruff made a privileged statement as to the enforcement of Rule 92 in the Senate.

Invitation Extended.

Senator Hornsby extended an invitation to the Senate to attend his birthday party at the Driskill Hotel.

Adjournment.

Senator Rawlings at 1 o'clock p. m., moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m., Wednesday. The motion prevailed.

APPENDIX.

Senate Members and Districts.

Beck, J. W. E. H., District No. 1, Dekalb.

Blackert, E. J., District No. 18, Victoria.

Burns, Gordon M., District No. 5, Huntsville.

Collie, Wilbourne B., District No. 24, Eastland.

Cotten, Clay, District No. 6, Palestine.

Davis, E. M., District No. 25, Brownwood.

DeBerry, Tom, District No. 8, Bogata.

Duggan, Arthur P., District No. 30, Littlefield.

Fellbaum, Ernest, District No. 26, San Antonio.

Hill, Joe, District No. 2, Henderson.

Holbrook, T. J., District No. 17, Galveston.

Hopkins, W. K., District No. 19, Gonzales.

Hornsby, John W., District No. 20, Austin.

Hughston, Wallace, District No. 10, McKinney.

Martin, Will M., District No. 12, Hillsboro.

Moore, Weaver, District No. 16, Houston.

Neal, Jim, District No. 27, Mirando City.

Oneal, Ben G., District No. 23, Wichita Falls.

Pace, Will D., District No. 7, Tyler.

Poage, W. R., District No. 13, Waco.

Rawlings, Frank H., District No. 28, Fort Worth.

Redditt, John S., District No. 3, Lufkin.

Regan, K. M., District No. 29, Pecos.

Sanderford, Roy, District No. 21, Belton.

Shivers, Allan, District No. 4, Port Arthur.

Small, C. C., District No. 31, Amarillo.

Stone, Albert, District No. 14, Brenham.

Sulak, L. J., District No. 15, La Grange.

Van Zandt, Olan R., District No. 9, Tioga.

Westerfeld, Claud C., District No. 11, Dallas.

Woodruff, H. Grady, District No. 22, Decatur.

SECOND DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
January 9, 1935.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt.

The roll call disclosed a quorum, the following Senators being present.

Beck.	Moore.
Blackert.	Neal.
Burns.	Oneal.
Collie.	Pace.
Cotten.	Poage.
Davis.	Rawlings.
DeBerry.	Redditt.
Duggan.	Regan.
Fellbaum.	Sanderford.
Hill.	Shivers.
Holbrook.	Small.
Hopkins.	Stone.
Hornsby.	Sulak.
Hughston.	Westerfeld.
Martin.	Woodruff.

Absent—Excused.

Van Zandt.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Rawlings.

Committee Reports.

(See Appendix.)

Bills and Resolutions.

Oath of Office.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Edgar E. Witt, administered the oath of office to Senator W. K. Hopkins of Gonzales.

Communication.

The Secretary read the following communication to the Senate:

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 9, 1935.

Governor Witt has been extremely kind and courteous to me in matters in connection with the coming Legislature and I want to publicly acknowledge his uniform courtesies and cooperative spirit and to thank him for same.

To the members of the Forty-fourth Senate I desire to say that